



# Iowa Ag News – Chickens & Eggs

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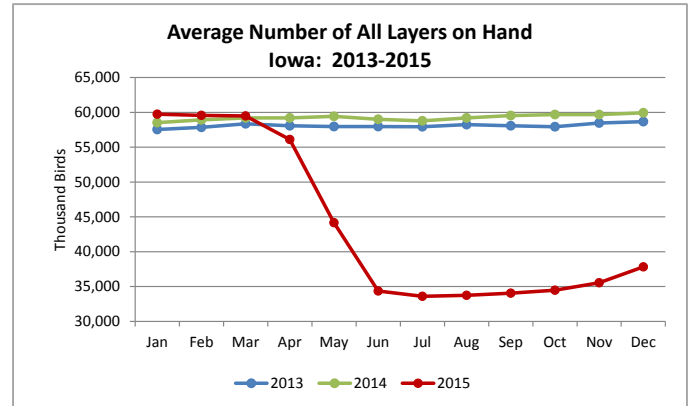
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**Iowa Egg production during December 2015** was 812 million eggs, up 11 percent from last month, but down 44 percent from last year, according to the latest *Chickens and Eggs* report from the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service.

The average number of **all layers on hand during December 2015** was 37.9 million, up 6 percent from last month, but down 37 percent from last year. Eggs per 100 layers for December were 2,140, up 2 percent from last month, but down 12 percent from last year.



## Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced – States and United States: During December 2014 and 2015

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding. Data by type of flock not shown for some states to avoid disclosing individual operations, data included in United States totals.]

State	Table egg layers in flocks 30,000 & above		All layers on hand		Eggs per 100 layers		Total egg production		Table egg production	
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(eggs)	(eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)
Alabama .....	1,588	1,561	9,274	9,608	1,984	1,978	184	190	41	41
Arkansas .....	3,786	3,960	12,620	13,727	2,108	2,062	266	283	97	100
California .....	13,581	11,821	14,080	12,292	2,379	2,351	335	289	(D)	(D)
Colorado .....	4,300	4,118	4,673	4,574	2,440	2,514	114	115	(D)	(D)
Connecticut <sup>1</sup> .....	2,326	(NA)	2,419	(NA)	2,315	(NA)	56	(NA)	(D)	(NA)
Florida .....	8,731	8,784	9,112	9,175	2,447	2,376	223	218	218	214
Georgia .....	10,127	10,462	18,950	19,387	2,211	2,233	419	433	248	258
Illinois .....	4,509	4,560	4,979	5,018	2,350	2,511	117	126	112	122
Indiana .....	26,124	29,364	27,009	30,335	2,444	2,469	660	749	644	729
<b>Iowa .....</b>	<b>58,738</b>	<b>36,733</b>	<b>59,930</b>	<b>37,938</b>	<b>2,423</b>	<b>2,140</b>	<b>1,452</b>	<b>812</b>	<b>1,436</b>	<b>794</b>
Maine <sup>1</sup> .....	3,478	(NA)	3,533	(NA)	2,378	(NA)	84	(NA)	(D)	(NA)
Maryland .....	2,661	2,638	2,827	2,809	2,441	2,492	69	70	68	69
Michigan .....	12,878	12,922	13,093	13,138	2,551	2,504	334	329	(D)	(D)
Minnesota .....	11,108	8,961	11,563	9,418	2,447	2,421	283	228	277	221
Mississippi .....	1,514	1,471	5,600	5,658	2,107	2,139	118	121	39	38
Missouri .....	6,837	7,619	9,063	9,789	2,438	2,472	221	242	(D)	(D)
Nebraska .....	9,464	7,431	9,572	7,539	2,549	2,175	244	164	244	164
New York .....	4,809	5,392	5,161	5,763	2,577	2,464	133	142	(D)	(D)
North Carolina .....	6,724	6,914	14,404	14,768	2,201	2,235	317	330	175	183
Ohio .....	30,203	30,786	31,062	31,643	2,450	2,437	761	771	(D)	(D)
Oregon .....	2,144	2,116	2,283	2,255	2,628	2,528	60	57	60	57
Pennsylvania .....	24,093	23,863	26,031	25,991	2,582	2,516	672	654	643	622
South Carolina .....	3,012	3,067	4,281	4,338	2,172	2,328	93	101	71	77
South Dakota .....	2,510	1,447	2,652	1,589	2,564	2,329	68	37	68	37
Texas .....	15,096	16,368	19,150	20,397	2,355	2,299	451	469	(D)	(D)
Utah .....	4,407	4,368	4,445	4,406	2,520	2,315	112	102	112	102
Virginia .....	1,260	1,198	2,948	2,928	2,239	2,322	66	68	35	36
Washington .....	7,113	6,999	7,278	7,164	2,446	2,443	178	175	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin .....	4,831	4,453	5,609	5,231	2,460	2,409	138	126	(D)	(D)
Other States <sup>2</sup> .....	13,084	19,215	22,090	28,216	2,277	2,307	503	651	367	516
<b>United States .....</b>	<b>301,036</b>	<b>278,591</b>	<b>365,691</b>	<b>345,094</b>	<b>2,388</b>	<b>2,333</b>	<b>8,731</b>	<b>8,052</b>	<b>7,633</b>	<b>6,912</b>

(NA) Not available. (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

<sup>1</sup> Included in Other States in 2015. <sup>2</sup> Includes data for states not published in this table.

## United States Chickens & Eggs

United States egg production totaled 8.05 billion during December 2015, down 8 percent from last year. Production included 6.91 billion table eggs, and 1.14 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.05 billion were broiler-type and 91 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during December 2015 averaged 345 million, down 6 percent from last year. December egg production per 100 layers was 2,333 eggs, down 2 percent from December 2014.

All layers in the United States on January 1, 2016 totaled 347 million, down 5 percent from last year. The 347 million layers consisted of 288 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 54.9 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.63 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on January 1, 2016, averaged 74.8 eggs per 100 layers, down 2 percent from January 1, 2015.

Egg-type chicks hatched during December 2015 totaled 47.3 million, up 10 percent from December 2014. Eggs in incubators totaled 48.0 million on January 1, 2016, up 14 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 215 thousand during December 2015, down 13 percent from December 2014.

Broiler-type chicks hatched during December 2015 totaled 798 million, up slightly from December 2014. Eggs in incubators totaled 645 million on January 1, 2016, up slightly from a year ago.

Leading breeders placed 7.54 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during December 2015, up 11 percent from December 2014.

